



## Postgraduate Research Students Career Mentor Program

In 2006 Careers and Employment in conjunction with the Research Students Centre is running a pilot mentoring scheme. We will follow each mentoring relationship very closely and from feedback at the end of the scheme we will develop the concept further in 2007.

The purpose of this scheme is to enhance your (the postgraduate researcher) awareness of the world of work while giving you an opportunity to communicate with someone in employment as to how your skills match with that which employers are looking for. Mentors will act as a guide, a source of information, a sounding board and offer support and encouragement to you in finding the right career path for you.

As you will no doubt now be aware, QUT has developed a suite of **postgraduate generic capabilities** that forms the basis of skill development for postgraduate researchers. It is important that you make yourself familiar with these so that you can discuss them with your mentor.

Being a “**University for the real-world**”, we would like to see the “**Postgraduate Research Student Career Mentor Program**” act as a link for you by helping you to make the transition from postgraduate research study into the Australian or International workforce. Evaluations from the undergraduate scheme consistently indicate the great benefit derived by both mentors and students, particularly in enhancing the student’s career development.

To register your interest in a mentor then visit the World of Work Section on the postgraduate Careers Web pages and select the link to the mentor details. [Click Here](#) to go straight there. Once there read the mentor details and register your interest by clicking on the link

Should you like to know any further information then please don’t hesitate to contact [Alan McAlpine](#) at Postgraduate Careers.